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Class Thoughts

PEACE . . . In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we pray for and decree a permanent peace, uniting all the nations of the earth in a league of justice and righteousness, in which the life, liberty, and love of God shall be paramount.

PRAYER FOR WORLD LEADERS: Through the Christ mind you are unified in thought, purpose, understanding, and right action for the good of all mankind.

JAN. 20 to FEB. 19

ILLUMINATION (11 a. m.): I am one with the ever-unfolding, ever-renewing Spirit of divine knowing, and I am illumined.

PROSPERITY (12 noon): I am renewed in my consciousness of God's bounty to me and to all men, and I am abundantly blessed.

HEALING (9 p.m.): I am renewed in the Spirit of my mind, and have put on the new man of health and wholeness in Christ.

FEB. 20 to MAR. 19

ILLUMINATION (11 a. m.): I give attention to the intelligence of my indwelling Christ, and I walk in the way of Truth.

PROSPERITY (12 noon): My inheritance from the Father is my all-sufficiency in all things. My prosperity is assured.

HEALING (9 p.m.): Jesus Christ, yesterday, today, and forever, God's perfect idea of man, restores me to health and wholeness.

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The Answer to Your Prayers

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SILENT UNITY receives many requests for prayers for others. A mother wants us to pray for her child, a wife wants us to pray for her husband, a sister wants us to pray for a brother; we are asked to pray for friends, for co-workers, for in-laws, even for those who are strangers to the person making the request.

Of all the letters that come to Silent Unity expressing bewilderment over the writer's failure to receive an answer to his prayers, the majority seem to concern prayers that are requested for someone else.

What does Silent Unity tell those who have prayed for someone else, but to no avail? The assurance we give them is that in ways we cannot understand our prayers have an effect for good on the one for whom we pray. Even though it does not seem that any progress has been made, still there is a spirit in everyone that is responsive to prayer, that feels the spiritual support of the prayers and faith of those who love him.

We also call to the remembrance of the person who would help another through prayer that as much as he longs to help someone, he must

allow him freedom to find the light in his own way. His part is to stand by in love and faith, to keep praying. In spite of appearances he should never lose sight of the spiritual potentialities of the one for whom he prays, he should never let go of his belief in the presence and power of God in the midst of this person.

Sometimes our prayers for another are not answered to our satisfaction, because we are attempting through our prayers to have him think or act or feel the way that we desire him to.

Oftentimes a person writes to Silent Unity about how much he loves someone and requests prayer that this person will love him. While we have a right to pray about anything, we do not have a right to try to force or coerce anyone through our prayers.

Love and affection cannot be forced, and we are usually disappointed when we try to force them. But if we feel unhappy, we should by all means pray. Someone has said that it is difficult to find happiness within, but that it is impossible to find it anywhere else. Prayer helps us to find peace of mind and inner contentment; prayer helps us to find the source of happiness within ourself.

We should pray for happiness, but we should tread lightly where the happiness or freedom

of other persons is concerned. Love will come, happiness will come, our life can be adjusted harmoniously and satisfactorily—of this we may be sure. Growth and good come out of every situation. Even when we seem to love someone hopelessly and desperately and that person is not interested in us, still we can be the gainer. Whitman said, "There is no unreturned love, the pay is certain one way or another." Whenever we love, whenever we are selfless, whenever we feel deeply about a person or a situation, we have the opportunity to grow, to gain in understanding; and the return comes to us in ways that we could not have imagined.

Any time we are tempted to feel that prayer is useless, that God has forgotten us, we need only to turn to Him, and a feeling of strength and renewal will fill our heart.

Our prayers never go unanswered, but sometimes we do not recognize the answers until time gives us a new perspective. Who of us cannot look back and be grateful for the way our prayers were answered at some time in the past, when at the time we could not see the answer? God in us is our higher self; God in us is all wisdom, all love. God in us is our guide into our own highest good. God in the midst of our loved ones is their guide, their unfailing help.

Even when we cannot see how our prayers for ourself or for others will ever find fulfillment, our part is to trust Spirit within us and within those for whom we pray. Our part is to believe—to believe with all our heart—in the outworking of good. Our part is to know that even though we do not have the understanding at present to comprehend the whole, nothing is without reason and purpose. Life is an unfolding process, and we are created for peace and happiness, for health and well-being.

Through the years Silent Unity has stood by in prayer while thousands of persons have valiantly worked out their problems. We have learned to read every letter with faith, no matter how distressing or disheartening the words, for time and experience have taught us that there are no impossible situations, that prayer always effects a change for the better in every life. We never hesitate to tell anyone to keep on praying.

We are always able to say with sincerity and conviction: "Do not give up, for no prayer goes unanswered. We are praying for your enlightenment, for your greater understanding of Truth.

"God loves you and your dear ones. He is with you now. He is blessing you now. Your part is to keep the faith, to keep the high watch, to stand firm in the Truth that you know."

In Quest of Truth

Question: I believe that God can perform and has performed miracles. One of His greatest miracles was the creation of all nature—natural law—which goes eternally on its way regardless of any interference by man. But I am not so sure that man's God-given immortality was ever intended by Him to be able to perform miracles, or that it is able to obstruct or change the workings of natural law. Of course, by working with natural law, we can make it do many things for us in a perfectly natural way. But can we make the sun stand still? Can we raise a person from the dead? Can we replace a lost leg, or arm, or lung? Can we make a crooked nose straight?

Answer: The usual definition of a miracle is "a violation of the laws of nature." This is purely an arbitrary assumption on the part of those who cannot explain certain occurrences from their own experience.

There is no warrant in the Scriptures for such definition. The word "miracle" is the ordinary translation of the Greek word *semeion*, which signifies "a sign."

A prophet signified his divine authority by a sign; that is, he produced results in an unusual way. No claim was made that the laws of nature

were violated. The power was invariably ascribed to God. Jesus said, "I can of myself do nothing." "The Father abiding in me doeth his works."

So let us clearly understand that a miracle is not necessarily a violation of the laws of nature, nor was any such claim ever made by those who performed miracles.

Yet we continue to regard any performance not right in line with average experience as somehow a violation of the laws of nature. . . .

That ideas have substance and creative power we take with a grain of salt. Who ever saw an idea or felt its power? Surely no one who believes in the "inviolable laws of nature." . . .

The powers of heaven are right here in our midst today just as they were in the time of Elisha and his servant Gehazi. We have been taught that they are away off in some far distant heaven, and mentally looking for them there, we have failed to realize their presence in the room with us. We have also been taught that any intervention of these powers in our behalf was miraculous and that the day of miracles has passed away. We are learning however that it has passed away only as we have withdrawn our faith from the spiritual and centered it in the material. The prophets and apostles believed in the power of God to help them in all things, and through this faith they

awakened their spiritual natures until the world of primary causes became an active factor in their lives. They healed the sick, raised the dead, were released from prison in miraculous ways, and had hundreds of evidences of the power of omnipresent Spirit. Among our people are thousands who accept this teaching as beautiful, but they have no faith in the power of this invisible realm within themselves. This is a wall of limitation, and it has prevented the demonstration of invisible aid again and again. . . .

Jesus recognized that He was not an exceptional man, nor did He have superhuman abilities. He had simply recognized His place in the Godhead and developed those powers in Himself which are dormant within each one of us. He said, "He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater *works* than these shall he do."

If He had been an exceptional creation or the possessor of powers not given to all men why should He claim that we were to exceed Him in the ability to manipulate the finer interior forces? Simply because He recognized the scientific relation of mind and matter. He saw that it would eventually dawn upon man that he was related to both the within and the without; that he is a creature with a spiritual nature that needs but be awakened in order to make itself manifest in the

realm of effects. He knew that we should realize within ourselves the higher faculties and put them to use. This is the age He looked forward to, and we are the people He meant when He said, "Greater works . . . shall he do."

—*Miracles and Laws of Nature;*
Charles Fillmore; Unity Magazine.

Question: I am confused about Matthew, chapter 26, verses 26 and 27. "And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it; and he gave to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took a cup, and gave thanks, and gave to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many unto remission of sins."

Answer: The breaking of bread and the drinking of wine that outwardly constitute the Lord's Supper are understood in their full spiritual import when one perceives the lesson that Jesus gave of the necessity for "eating" and "drinking" His "flesh" and "blood."

Jesus likened this spiritual appropriation to the eating of bread and the drinking of wine. As bread is considered the "staff of life," it symbolizes the spiritual substance, that which truly is the "body" of Christ. As wine is considered to be the essence or "blood" of the grape, it symbolizes the essence or spiritual life "blood" of Christ.

The ritual of communion, the partaking of the Lord's Supper, is a symbol of the spiritual process through which we go when we appropriate God substance and life. The symbol is useful so long as it serves to point man to the reality for which it stands. It is not the outward observance of communion that is of outstanding significance; it is the principle underlying the symbol that carries vital power to save and transform.

While we at Unity do not follow the letter or form of the communion ritual, we do accept its spiritual meaning and perceive the necessity for spiritual communion. Those who do partake in its outer observance and understand its deeper meaning are sure to enjoy a spiritual quickening.

The need for spiritual communion is implied frequently in Jesus' teaching. If we are to lay hold on the good that God has prepared for us, if we are to rise to our native dominion as sons "of the Most High," we must become transformed beings. We must learn to think, speak, and act from a new standpoint, one entirely unlike that from which the world thinks, speaks, and acts. We are not to be saved by continuing in a material consciousness; we are to make the consciousness of Jesus Christ our own. To have the Jesus Christ consciousness is to share His point of view, to make union with Him by following His com-

mandments in thought and act. The necessity for spiritual communion was Jesus' last instruction, His parting declaration that man must turn from the material life that ends in death and appropriate the spiritual life that is eternal.

We have true communion with Jesus Christ when we recognize God's presence and power and realize our oneness with Him. Communion has as its purpose the linking of our life with God's divine plan of perfection. We truly imbibe the life of Jesus Christ, partake of His Spirit and appropriate as our own His thoughts, His love, His peace, His forgiveness when we believe that we inherit all good and daily affirm our sonship to Him.

There is strong reason for believing that Jesus' use of the symbols of bread and wine was to point out the necessity for daily appropriation of spiritual life and substance, comparable to the daily eating of food. How meaningful would be our every meal if we ate and drank in the realization that we need not only material food but spiritual food as well! For thus to imbibe spiritual inspiration is to become transformed and transfigured spiritually and to accept our true birthright of freedom and joy.

—*The Way to Salvation;*
A Silent Unity Pamphlet.

Friday

FEBRUARY 1

THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST IS WITHIN AND ABOUT ME, READY AT ALL TIMES TO UPLIFT, SUSTAIN, AND COMFORT ME.

THERE ARE experiences in life that seem beyond the understanding of the human heart, but we who trust our Creator know that at some time, in some way all things are made right.

The presence of Christ is within and about us at all times. His help is available at our first call. His response to our prayer is instant. We need never feel alone or apart from Him, for He is with us always, and we abide in His love. Our consciousness of His presence lifts us above every sense of grief and depression, and we are sustained in the knowledge that we are eternally one with Him.

When we turn to the Christ in prayer, His peace comes to us. He stills the doubting of our heart. He quiets the questioning of our mind; and even though experiences may be beyond our present understanding, He gives us courage with which to meet them. He strengthens our faith.

✻ *Our Father who loved us and gave us eternal comfort . . . comfort your hearts.*—II THESS. 2:16, 17.

Saturday

I HAVE FAITH THAT GOD IS MY UNFAILING PROSPERITY, AND MY FAITH BRINGS FORTH THE SUPPLY FOR MY EVERY NEED.

I FILL my mind this day with thoughts of prosperity and success. I have faith that God is even now blessing me with all that is necessary to my well-being. I give thanks that my every need is perfectly and abundantly met.

Today I am in the very midst of God's supply. Today I am guided to do the right thing, to take the right steps to bring forth supply, success, and prosperity in my life and affairs.

Today I am the master of every situation in my life. I meet every situation with poise and the assurance that God is with me, that He has already prepared the way for my good to come to me.

I have faith that all things are working together for good. If need be, I stand and wait while God prepares the way for me. I know that His love will never fail me. I have faith that my every need is now being met.

✱ *Have faith in God . . . whosoever . . . shall believe that what he saith cometh to pass; he shall have it . . . All things whatsoever ye pray and ask for, believe that ye receive them.*—MARK 11:22, 23, 24.

Sunday

FEBRUARY 3

I AM ETERNALLY ALIVE IN THE RADIANT LIFE
OF GOD.

GOD is my life.

My body is filled with the radiant, resurrecting life of Spirit.

Every cell of my body is permeated with healing life.

Every organ in my body is blessed with restoring, all-adjusting life.

God's life is the essence of my being.

God created me whole and perfect, in His image and likeness.

My body is the temple of the living God, and every cell is aglow with energizing light. If there is any tension in my body because of negative beliefs, I let God's purifying Spirit dissolve those beliefs and I experience the radiant and abundant life that I was created to express.

In Truth there is no sickness, no deterioration, no death. The life of God is an eternally upbuilding and healing power.

I am eternally alive with the radiant life of God.

✿ *I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth on me, though he die, yet shall he live.—JOHN 11:25.*

FEBRUARY 4

Monday

TODAY I LET GO OF MY PERSONAL WILL AND
LET GOD GUIDE MY WAY.

IS THERE a difficulty in your life that seems insurmountable?

Turn your attention away from the difficulty and become still. Know that God will help you solve any difficulty; let go and let God. Stop trying to force a solution; instead, listen for the guidance of your heavenly Father, who knows the answer to every problem.

No problem is ever too big or too small for God. Be willing to trust Him, to rely on Him.

When you commune with the Father you are relaxed and at peace, and your mind is open to receive His guidance. You are shown what to do in order to bring about the perfect answer to your prayers.

God's counsel is always available in time of need. You need only to call on Him. His help is quick and sure. As you let go of your personal will and let God guide your way, He provides the right answer to your every problem.

* *Jehovah thy God, be it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.*—DEUT. 31:6.

Tuesday

FEBRUARY 5

THE SPIRIT OF GOD WITHIN ME GIVES ME THE STRENGTH AND COURAGE TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY.

WHETHER WE are able to assume responsibility or are disturbed by and resistant to the demands that are made of us depends on our awareness of our inner strength and power. When we realize that we are never called on to meet anything that is beyond our spiritual capacity we do not fear or shun responsibility.

If at all times we recognize the power that is within us—the Spirit of God—we shall have no fear, no feeling of weakness.

Regardless of the nature of our responsibilities or the circumstances by which they are brought about, we should not feel that they are too great for us.

God has given us the ability to meet all things. He has implanted in us a victorious spirit that rises to meet every challenge, that turns what has seemed a burden into a blessing.

The Spirit of God in us makes us responsible, successful persons.

☛ *I can do all things in him.*—PHIL. 4:13.

GOD'S LOVE FILLS MY HEART, AND I AM TOLERANT AND UNDERSTANDING OF OTHER PERSONS AND THEIR NEEDS.

GOD'S LOVE fills my heart, and I am free from any thought of prejudice, condemnation, or intolerance. I judge the views and actions of other persons not from my personal concept of what is right or wrong but from the larger and more perfect understanding that God's love has revealed to me.

I am willing to free other persons to follow the direction that comes to them. Regardless of whether it seems the way of wisdom to me, I am tolerant and patient; I withhold my criticism or condemnation. I need not accept the opinions of another, nor do I need to approve his actions in order to maintain an attitude of tolerance.

My part is to let God's love fill my heart and express itself freely through me. My part is to keep faith in the divine self in every person, the self that is continually seeking expression through him. My part is to "not love in word, neither with the tongue; but in deed and in truth."

☛ *God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.*
—I JOHN 3:20.

Thursday

FEBRUARY 7

I ACCEPT THE FREEDOM OF CHOICE THAT GOD HAS GIVEN ME AND EXERCISE THIS FREEDOM IN EVERY DEPARTMENT OF MY LIFE.

GOD HAS given us far more freedom in deciding the character of our life than we ordinarily exercise. To accept this freedom and to exercise it fully means a full, satisfying life rather than an unhappy, disappointing one. But the choice is ours to make.

We can choose to fear or to have faith; to reject or to accept; to criticize or to help; to be a victim or to be a master. We can choose to make the changes in our attitudes that bring happiness, or we can drift along in the throes of old habits that take us in directions we do not want to go.

What do you choose? You have the choice. God has given each person the power to rise out of unhappy states of mind, to gain freedom from habits that undermine his sense of security and his power of accomplishment, to accept his spiritual dominion and direct his thought, his feeling, and his effort toward the good he desires.

☛ *Be ye all likeminded, compassionate, loving as brethren. . . . For hereunto were ye called, that ye should inherit a blessing.—I PET. 3:8, 9.*

THE SPIRIT OF GOD WITHIN ME IS MY PROTECTION AT ALL TIMES, IN ALL PLACES, IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES.

GOD is a protecting power. The person who puts his trust in God has nothing to fear. The Bible offers proof of God's protecting power for those who keep their vision upon Him, and the God of the Bible is the same God that lives in each one of us today.

If our vision is upon God's presence, His power will protect us from thinking the thoughts that bring negative experiences into our life. If we keep our thoughts close to Him throughout each day, God will reveal to us moment by moment that which is for our highest good.

Even though we have made mistakes, if we turn to God, trusting Him and keeping our thoughts upon His goodness, all will be made right and adjusted perfectly.

We do not have to fear anyone or anything. If we keep our mind on His indwelling protection, nothing can hurt us. The Spirit of God within us is our protection at all times.

✿ *Behold, I have given you authority . . . nothing shall in any wise hurt you.*—LUKE 10:19.

Saturday

FEBRUARY 9

THE JOY OF THE LORD UPLIFTS ME ALL DAY LONG.

WHAT IS before you today? Is there some task that must be completed, some decision that must be reached, some plan that must be carried out? No matter what you do today, no matter where you go, no matter what lies before you, remember that the joy of the Lord uplifts you all day long.

You do not need a particular reason for being joyous. Just to be alive is reason enough. To know that God is with you, to know that you are His beloved is joy-creating.

To take with you the thought that the joy of the Lord uplifts you all day long enables you to approach each task, to meet each situation with poise and an open mind and heart. Joy is the soul's true estate, and when we open ourself to the spirit of joy we find ourself quickly lifted up. It is right and natural and God-ordained that we be joyous.

Say to yourself: "I am joyous, I am happy, I am free! The joy of the Lord uplifts me all day long."

♣ *This is the day which Jehovah hath made.*—PSALMS 118:24.

I YIELD MY HEART TO GOD AND FEEL THE
BLESSING OF HIS HEALING LOVE.

THERE ARE times in life when thinking avails nothing, when questioning the why and wherefore of experiences only intensifies pain. These are times when the thinking processes need to be stilled and the heart yielded to God for the blessing of His healing love.

Just as the healing spirit of life heals a deep wound of the flesh, so does it also heal a deep wound of the heart. Its healing not only frees the heart from pain, but it gives us a strength and assurance beyond anything we have ever known. Bewilderment gives way to understanding; sadness gives way to faith.

When the thought processes are stilled and the heart is lifted toward God, peace comes. A new vision is given, a vision that enables us to see all experiences with understanding, that enables us to meet life day by day with new interest and courage.

*He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside still waters.
He restoreth my soul.*

—PSALMS 23:2, 3.

Monday

FEBRUARY 11

I LET GO OF ALL HURT FEELINGS BY BEHOLDING ONLY THE CHRIST IN MYSELF AND OTHERS.

NO PERSON in the world can hurt our feelings if we do not react to hurt and allow it to take hold in our consciousness. Hurt feelings are due largely to the fact that we belittle ourself and others, therefore, to remedy this we need to behold only the Christ in ourself and others.

Instead of rehearsing some offense over and over in our mind, seeking perhaps to justify our part in the matter, we must put the entire situation out of mind and realize that the just wisdom of God is harmonizing the minds and hearts of all concerned.

As we are conscious of our Christ self, the self that is wise, loving, and understanding, as we are conscious of the Christ self of others, we shall be able to look past the limitations of the personal man. Our reactions will be loving and understanding; we shall no longer be hurt or upset by the words or actions of others, and we shall be able to bring forth peace in any situation.

✱ *Be at peace among yourselves.*—I THESS. 5:13.

Tuesday

I TRUST THY SPIRIT OF WISDOM WITHIN ME
TO DIRECT ME IN ALL MY WAYS AND TO
GUIDE ME IN ALL MY DECISIONS.

EVERY moment I have access to Thy wisdom and guidance. I trust Thy Spirit to direct me in the way of my good and to guide me in making wise decisions in all matters. As I yield myself to the direction of Thy Spirit, I am guided unerringly into my good. I meet new experiences easily as I let Thy Spirit of wisdom within me direct me.

Whether I am faced with decisions of minor importance or decisions that may affect the whole course of my life, I know that I can depend on Thee to guide and direct me, to make clear my path.

If the way seems dark or doubtful, I free my mind from worry or fear by listening to the inspiration and guidance of Thy Spirit.

No problem or task is too great when I realize that through Thee I can do all things, that Thy Spirit of wisdom is leading me in the way of my good.

• *I am now come forth to give thee wisdom and understanding.*—DAN. 9:22, 23.



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Life is the raw material—

The medium supreme—

That every one of us may shape

According to his dream.

Oh, may our eyes be quick to see

The statue in the stone;

The shining harvest to be won

In acres bravely sown;

That garden in the wilderness

Of which the poet sings;

And shining possibilities

In ordinary things!

Wednesday

FEBRUARY 13

I AM HEALED OF EVERY CONDITION IN MY BODY THAT DOES NOT EXPRESS THE PERFECTION OF CHRIST.

CHARLES Fillmore says: "The more enlightened man becomes the greater is his desire for perfect health. This is logical, for to be healthy is natural. It is a state of being sound or whole in mind, body, and soul. To heal then is to bring forth the perfect Christ man that exists within each of us."

It gives us strength, courage, and a renewed concept of life when we realize that it is natural for us to be healthy, strong, and perfect—that it is unnatural for us to be ailing, weak, and imperfect.

We are filled with the wonderful, life-giving Spirit of God; perfection is our heritage as children of God.

Let us affirm daily, "I am healed of every condition in my body that does not express the perfection of Christ." Let us expect the manifestation of perfect health in our mind and body. Let us give thanks that health is our natural state of being.

• *Ye therefore shall be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.*—MATT. 5:48.

Thursday

I AM IN LOVE WITH LIFE.

HOW BEAUTIFUL the world, how wonderful its people! I am in love with life!

I look at my family, my friends, my co-workers with new eyes, with love-filled eyes. I look at my home with new appreciation. I look at the ordinary things about me with wonder. I am in love with life, and with the eyes of love I see the reality, the underlying spirit in all things, in all persons.

I am in love with life and I give myself to life. I do not withhold my time, my talent, my energy. I give myself willingly, gladly to whatever comes to me to do today.

I am in love with life and I do not withhold my love and blessings from a single soul. I breathe a prayer for everyone who enters my life today. I breathe a prayer for those I think about today.

I am in love with life, and all heaven and earth rejoice with me.

For Sheol cannot praise thee, death cannot celebrate thee...

The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I do this day.

—ISA. 38:18, 19.

Friday

FEBRUARY 15

I HAVE FAITH THAT I CAN NEVER BE SEPARATED FROM THE LOVE OF GOD.

BECAUSE GOD—the Spirit of love and order—is always the ultimate victor, I have no fear that another person, or life itself, can deprive me of my good. I know that nothing can separate me from the love of God.

Another person's needs may impel him to say or to do things that hurt and disappoint me. But he has not impaired the structure of my life. No one can disturb the security I have in God. In every situation I have a wise counselor, a just judge—God—the Spirit of love and order.

I do not feel alone or at the mercy of those insensitive to the values of justice and fair play. I realize that I can never be separated from the love of God. In the midst of every situation, no matter how trying it may seem, I know the poise and assurance of one accompanied and supported by the undefeatable. I know the dignity of one certain that good is always victorious.

* *Neither death nor life . . . nor things present, nor things to come . . . nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God.—ROM. 8:38, 39.*

WITH FAITH IN MY LIMITLESS SPIRITUAL RESOURCES I MEET LIFE WITH CONFIDENCE.

WHEN you are afraid of undertaking something new, remind yourself that God has given you limitless resources. Do not allow fear of what others may think or say to keep you from using your powers and abilities. Do not allow fear of failure to keep you from venturing into new paths.

If there is something you long to do and do not qualify fully the first time you try, you will at least learn what further preparation you need. You will learn your strength and your weakness. This kind of knowledge is a step forward, a victory. Remember that as you go forward step by step toward the goal your heart envisions you will be supported by your spiritual resources.

It is the faith you have in your spiritual resources and the effort you make to use them that build confidence.

Affirm: With faith in my limitless spiritual resources I meet life with confidence.

*A man's gift maketh room for him,
And bringeth him before great men.*

—PROV. 18:16.

Sunday

FEBRUARY 17

GOD IN ME IS THE PERFECT SOLUTION TO
EVERY SEEMING PROBLEM IN MY LIFE.

THERE IS no problem that the indwelling power of God cannot solve or adjust. The most complicated situation can be harmonized for those who have faith in God. The quickest way to rise out of feelings of discouragement or despondency is to assert positively that God is the perfect solution.

The life of God within us can heal our body and strengthen it with new vitality. The wisdom of God within us can guide us in making any decision. The love of God within us can protect us from any harm, from making mistakes. The power of God within us can untangle any difficulty. The peace of God within us can calm every fear and give us courage.

God can do all things if we keep believing that He is the answer, that His love will open a way. Everything is now solved in God, and our faith is the means through which the perfect solution comes.

*God is our refuge and strength,
A very present help in trouble.*

—PSALMS 46:1.

Monday

I BEGIN THIS DAY WITH THE ASSURANCE
THAT GOD IS WITH ME, MY STRENGTH, MY
JOY, MY ALL IN ALL.

NOTHING COULD be more inspiring than to
begin this day with these words which
are familiar to most of us:

"Still, still with Thee, when purple morning
breaketh,

When the bird waketh and the shadows flee;
Fairer than morning, lovelier than the daylight
Dawns the sweet consciousness, I am with Thee."

The Psalmist sang: "I shall be satisfied, when
I awake, with thy likeness." "I awaked; for Je-
hovah sustaineth me." And Isaiah tells us to
"awake, awake; put on thy strength . . . put on
thy beautiful garments."

Let us begin our day with the consciousness of
God's abiding presence, of His strength in us,
of the protection of His love. Let us begin with
thanksgiving and praise to God, who sustains us.
Let us put on the beautiful garments of truth and
love. Let us find refreshment and satisfaction in
praying and in praising this day.

• *I shall be satisfied . . . with thy likeness.*—PSALMS
17:15. (A. V.).

Tuesday

FEBRUARY 19

I AM AGELESS AND ETERNAL, FOR I AM SPIRIT.

MOST OF us think of ourselves in terms of years, and we classify ourselves and others in certain age groups. We say, "At my age"; "at your age," "at his age," and usually conclude with some thought of limitation.

But from the youngest child to the person who has lived many years, we need to discard the idea of age, the idea of restriction and limitation and think of ourself as ageless and eternal, as Spirit, for such we are.

We are not bound by time, we are not bound by space. But we bind ourself and others by continually counting the years, by comparing ages, by allowing ourself to fall in line with the race thought of growing old. We are continually going through a process of renewal. That we are not renewed, that we are not vital and young is due to our thought about ourself, to our attitudes and our outlook on life.

There is no better time than the present in which to change the course of our thinking and, thus, the course of our life; there is no better time in which to lay hold of eternal life.

♣ *Thy youth is renewed like the eagle.*—PSALMS 103:5.

I GIVE ATTENTION TO THE INTELLIGENCE OF MY INDWELLING CHRIST, AND I WALK IN THE WAY OF TRUTH.—UNITY ILLUMINATION THOUGHT.

GOD HAS given us dominion over our world, and He has given us His Son, the Christ, to be our infallible guide in our every life experience. He has established for us a perfect way. This way, which leads to peace, joy, and success, is revealed to us by the Christ, who dwells in us.

The intelligence of the indwelling Christ is perfect divine intelligence. As we give our attention to Him, He illumines our mind so that we behold the real, the eternally true rather than the unreal, the false appearance. We see that the essence of all creation is divine; that God the Creator is expressing Himself through all that is in His universe, and that His highest visible expression is in us, His children.

Momently we give our attention to the intelligence of the Christ. Momently we walk in the way of Truth, wisdom, peace, joy, success, and plenty.

☛ *Lo, I am with you always.*—MATT. 28:18.

Thursday

FEBRUARY 21

MY INHERITANCE FROM THE FATHER IS MY ALL-SUFFICIENCY IN ALL THINGS. MY PROSPERITY IS ASSURED.—UNITY PROSPERITY THOUGHT.

THE FOUNDATION on which any successful demonstration of prosperity rests is the truth that God is substance, infinite, unfailing, eternal. We must accept this truth and act upon it in the unfaltering conviction that His will for us is abundance.

God, the Father Almighty, is the Spirit of infinite abundance. In His kingdom abides a plenitude of blessings beyond our power to imagine. They are our spiritual inheritance from God, who is our Father and who loves us with an all-encompassing love.

As we abide in His love, He illumines us with the divine ideas by which we are enabled to call forth His blessings into manifest form. He supplies the ideas; we add to them our faith, our ability, our diligence, our enthusiasm. Our reward is true prosperity, all-sufficiency in all things, abundance of every good that is in store for us in the kingdom.

✿ *Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you.*—MATT. 25:34.

Friday

JESUS CHRIST, YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND FOREVER, GOD'S PERFECT IDEA OF MAN, RESTORES ME TO HEALTH AND WHOLENESS.—UNITY HEALING THOUGHT.

THE BASIS for spiritual healing is the truth that man is a perfect spiritual being. Because he is perfect in essence, he can become perfect in expression and manifestation.

In His ministry, Jesus Christ, the Saviour, healed many who sought His aid. He was able to do His marvelous healing work because He saw through the appearance of illness and imperfection to the perfect spiritual reality and called it forth into manifestation by the power of His word.

Jesus Christ, who is the same yesterday, today, and forever, now restores to health and wholeness all who call upon Him in faith. His healing work has never ceased. Momently those who have faith in Him manifest their healing. Although He is not visible to our mortal eyes, His power to heal is supreme. He abides with us in Spirit, mighty to heal, to restore, and to make whole.

✿ *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and to-day, yea and for ever.*—HEB. 13:8.

Saturday

FEBRUARY 23

THE POWER OF CHRIST WITHIN ME ENABLES ME TO ADJUST MYSELF HARMONIOUSLY TO LIFE AND TO ALL CIRCUMSTANCES.

EVERY person finds it necessary to make some adjustment to circumstances and to life itself. Whether we are resentful and rebellious about making such adjustments or do it willingly and easily depends on our faith in the power of God within.

When we recognize and use the divine powers and abilities that are within us we find it easy to maintain a harmonious spirit at all times.

If an adjustment is needed in our relations with some other person, we can make the adjustment easily and harmoniously as we let love rule the situation, as we surrender all thoughts of resistance or resentment.

When we let the power of Christ within us take control of our thoughts, words, and actions, confusion and inharmony disappear, we are able to adjust ourself to life and circumstances, and order is established in all that concerns us.

✽ *Who is wise and understanding among you? let him show by his good life his works in meekness of wisdom.*—JAMES 3:13.

FEBRUARY 24

Sunday

I DO NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS AGAINST MY NEIGHBOR.

G OSSIP and unkind criticism about other persons never hurt them as much as they hurt us. We can overcome any such tendencies in ourself if we diligently strive day by day to overcome any unloving or critical thoughts. This can be done if we train ourself to see the Spirit of God in others. No matter what we may hear about another, no matter what we may see, if we remember to look beyond appearances to the presence of God within, we shall find that the inclination to criticize gradually disappears.

Jesus pointed out that no person is in a position to cast stones at another. We are all on this earthly plane to learn more about the art of living as taught by Jesus, and in the process all of us make errors. The Father forgives our mistakes, and He tells us that we cannot be happy unless we forgive others, too.

I do not bear false witness against my neighbor. I behold God's presence in everyone.

* *One only is the lawgiver and judge, even he who is able to save . . . but who art thou that judgest thy neighbor?*—JAMES 4:12.

Monday

FEBRUARY 25

I REST IN THE LORD. I WAIT PATIENTLY FOR HIM.

I TURN to God in prayer for the solution to my every problem.

Whenever a disturbing situation arises in my life, I ask God for guidance. I do not become worried and anxious, but I rest in Him, knowing that He will show me how to restore order and harmony in my life.

I do not allow negative thoughts of doubt or fear to enter my mind, but I think strong, positive thoughts of health, happiness, and prosperity. I relax in the unshakable faith that God makes my way clear to me. I keep my mind open and receptive at all times, so that I shall hear His instructions when they come.

I wait patiently for His answer to my prayer. Though it may seem that He has not heard me, I do not become discouraged. I am relaxed and at peace, for I know that He supplies the right solution to my every problem. He supplies all the good there is in my life.

I rest in the Lord. I wait patiently for Him.

✿ *Rest in Jehovah, and wait patiently for him.*—PSALMS 37:7.

IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST, I MAKE MY PRAYER TO GOD.

JESUS SAID: "Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do," and "Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be made full." How do we ask in His name?

We in Unity believe that to ask in the name of Jesus Christ is to ask in the nature of Jesus Christ. We think of Him as the highest spiritual attainment in man and we think of His Spirit as being with us as the substance of life itself. So when we ask in the name of Jesus Christ we are asking in the name of all that is good, of all that is holy, of all that is perfect.

In ourself we may feel unworthy, we may feel that to ask in our own name would have little power or effect. But to ask in the name of Jesus Christ is to identify ourself with the highest spiritual power and authority. When we identify ourself with Jesus Christ through asking in His name, our prayers are invested with spiritual substance. They transcend the human and link us with the divine.

* *Ask in my name.*—JOHN 14:13.

Wednesday

FEBRUARY 27

TODAY IS A NEW DAY, AND NEW DOORS ARE
NOW OPEN TO ME.

MANY persons have a deep longing for change in their lives, but they fear to make a change because they cannot see the ultimate outcome. There are those who want different jobs or who would like to live in different surroundings; there are those who would like to serve in some way, who would like to use their talents and abilities for the blessing of others.

If you have an inner urge to make a change in your life, do not let doubt and indecision keep you from following this urge, for only as we follow our inner urges do we grow and unfold.

New doors are open to all of us, and we can enter into a new way of life any time we put aside our doubts and fears and step forth with faith. Faith helps us to see beyond our fears and uncertainties and to go forward even when we cannot see the ultimate outcome. Our faith in God helps us to know that a new door would not open to us if there was not some good for us beyond the open door.

✿ *A great door and effectual is opened unto me.—I COR. 16:9.*

I BEHOLD THE CHRIST IN YOU. I SEE YOU AS
GOD'S PERFECT CHILD.

IF THERE is someone you desire to help, regardless of what kind of help he may need, the most important help you can give him is through prayer. By blessing him and beholding the Christ in him you are able to see him as God's perfect child. When you see him as God's perfect child you cease to limit him or to bind him in your thought about him.

Whether a person needs healing, release from some unhappy circumstance, or freedom from some undesirable habit, we can help him by beholding the Christ in him, by beholding in him his spiritual perfection. We can think of him as a spiritual being, created perfect; we can see him as God's perfect child; we can hold to this vision in spite of negative appearances.

Our right thought about another person can be a blessing to him; it can give him strength in the midst of weakness; it can give him courage in the face of fear; it can give him faith in the time of doubt.

✱ *Have this mind in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.*—PHIL. 2:5.

Friday

FEBRUARY 29

I TRUST THE SPIRIT OF GOD IN ME TO GUIDE
ME, FOR GOD CREATED ME.

I TRUST each day to bring the answers to the problems thereof. God has created me in His own image, and I face no problem that cannot be solved if I seek within at the source of my being.

I am charitable and kind, even if others do not seem to be, for I walk in the path of my Father. If life seems unjust, I realize that I know only in part; but if I act in faith according to my inner light, guidance is given me. Day by day He reveals His perfect plan.

I do not fear, for I know that I am one with Him. I live in faith, I work in faith, and I rejoice at being part of His great plan. I strive to gain and to give greater understanding.

I live each day according to the light I have, and more light is given me. I trust His omniscient wisdom.

God guides and comforts me and makes my path clear.

*Commit thy way unto Jehovah;
Trust also in him, and he will bring it to pass.*
—PSALMS 37:5.

This Month IN UNITY

New and Helpful Idea

Every day people are discovering more new ways in which *Good Business* magazine can be helpful to them. Read this letter from a Truth friend in Florida:

"I cannot afford to let my subscription to *Good Business* expire because for some months I have been depending on the calendar in it. Each morning I write 'Thank you, God' in the space for that day. The lovely thought which you have printed there I meditate on and use during the day. So you see, I really cannot get along without it. I love every bit of the magazine!"

Try this new idea for making *Good Business* more useful to you. And if you are not receiving the magazine, why not order your subscription right away? You are sure to find a great deal of inspiration and enjoyment in reading its factual and interesting articles about people who have attained business success by making God their partner.



Your Child and the Bible

Sound religious ideals can be built on only one foundation, a thorough knowledge of the Bible. This knowledge should be instilled in children while they are young enough for it to become a part of them:

"Train up a child in the way he should go,
And when he is old he will not depart from it."

The *Unity Sunday-School Leaflet* will help you to teach your child all the wisdom and beauty of the Bible. It contains the complete Bible text and the Truth interpretation of the International Sunday-School Lessons for young people and adults, together with stories for children that bring the lesson down to the level of the child's understanding. The *Unity Sunday-School Leaflet* benefits you as well as your child; as you explain the Christ teachings, they become clearer in your own mind. The leaflet is also a wonderful aid to Sunday-school teachers.



The *Unity Sunday-School Leaflet* is mailed to you each month in a package that includes a separate leaflet for each Sunday in that month. A year's subscription is only \$1.

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FOR A MEMORABLE EASTER

Just in time for Easter, Unity has published a new greeting booklet called *For Thy Benediction*. This booklet contains poems by Frank B. Whitney which have been favorites among his works. These poems are something more than just poetry, though. They are inspiring prayers, declarations of a radiant, living faith. *For Thy Benediction* makes a truly memorable Easter gift, as do these other Unity Greeting Booklets which have been popular for a number of years:

The Gift of Immortality

Daily Resurrections

Preparation for Easter

The Song of Life

The Land Is Bright

Recipes for Living

To Them That Ask

The Good News

Where I Am King

Be at Peace

The Protecting Presence

Unity Greeting Booklets are post-card size, and they are printed on fine quality paper with colored covers. Each one comes to you with an attractive Easter mailing envelope that requires only 1½ cents postage. Unity Greeting Booklets are priced at just 10 cents each, or 12 assorted (your selection or ours) for \$1. Order early, and be ready to make this a memorable Easter for yourself and your friends.



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Then here is the book for you! It is called *Mysteries of John*, and it was written by Charles Fillmore himself.

John understood more fully than any other follower of Jesus that all existence is spiritual, that it comes to man as a gift, and that Christ is its fulfillment. Furthermore, John shows that eternal life is possible to all men who believe they are spiritual beings and who wish to resurrect their bodies according to the Jesus Christ pattern.

In *Mysteries of John*, Mr. Fillmore interprets the Gospel of John metaphysically, bringing absolutely new ideas to light. Along with his interpretation is printed the exact Bible text. *Mysteries of John* is a challenging book for anyone who is seeking a fuller understanding of the Scriptures. It is priced at only \$1.



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HOW DO YOU OBSERVE LENT?

The word "Lent" comes from an old English word "lencen" that means "spring." Surely with such a name, Lent should not be the time of mourning that we so often make it. Rather it should be a spiritual spring—a season when the soul grows and rises joyfully toward the eternal sun that is God.

This is the Unity way of observing Lent. To aid you, Unity has arranged a special Lenten program based on the book *Teach Us to Pray* by Charles and Cora Fillmore. This program extends throughout the forty-day period of Lent from February 27 to Easter Sunday. To participate, you follow in *Teach Us to Pray* the assignments that are given in the booklet "The Unity Lenten Program." This booklet is sent free with each copy of *Teach Us to Pray*, priced at \$1; or if you already have the book, the booklet will be sent free to you on request.

This year observe Lent the Unity way and feel the surge of new life that comes with this spiritual spring!

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The 121st Psalm

I will lift up mine eyes unto the mountains:
From whence shall my help come?
My help cometh from Jehovah,
Who made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved:
He that keepeth thee will not slumber.
Behold, he that keepeth Israel
Will neither slumber nor sleep.
Jehovah is thy keeper:
Jehovah is thy shade upon thy right hand.
The sun shall not smite thee by day,
Nor the moon by night.
Jehovah will keep thee from all evil;
He will keep thy soul.
Jehovah will keep thy going out and thy
coming in
From this time forth and for evermore.

